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March 6, 2007

Doug Failing, Director
California Department of Transportation
District 7
100 South Main Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: Request to take all possible measures to avoid taking private homes for I-405/Sepulveda Pass carpool lane project

Dear Mr. Failing,

The purpose of this letter is to urge in the strongest terms that your department take every possible step to avoid taking private homes when constructing the I-405/Sepulveda Pass carpool lane project.

I am pleased that thanks to the concerted efforts of State and local officials and agencies, this vital project will move forward. Recent press coverage, however, has heightened homeowner concerns that the project may result in significant takings of residential property. Such takings could cause profound hardship, and have a detrimental impact on the character of neighborhoods in Brentwood, Bel Air, Westwood, and Sherman Oaks.

I will continue to work with the affected communities, elected leaders, and agencies to protect homeowners to the fullest possible extent as we strive to meet the region's crucial transportation needs. I look forward to working with you in a partnership to meet these shared goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Feuer".

Mike Feuer
Assemblymember, 42nd District